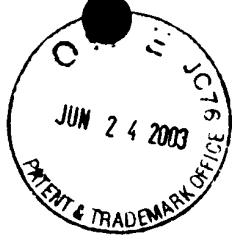


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
JAMES W. ELLIS, ET AL. )  
Application No.: 09/882,297 )  
Filed: June 18, 2001 )  
For: OPTICAL RADIATION SENSOR )  
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
MEASURING RADIATION )  
TRANSMITTANCE OF A FLUID )  
Examiner: Ms. Otilia Gabor  
Group Art Unit: 2881  
June 24, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of an International Search Report for a corresponding international application and of the listed documents are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) An information disclosure statement shall be considered by the Office if filed after the period specified in paragraph (b) of this section, provided that the information disclosure statement is filed before the mailing date of any of a final action under § 1.113, a notice of allowance under § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and it is accompanied by one of:

- (1) The statement specified in paragraph (e) of this section; or

(2) The fee set forth in § 1.17(p).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 50-1710 the fee of \$180.00 as set forth in § 1.17(p). The Commissioner may also charge any additional fees which are deemed appropriate or provide any refunds to the same Deposit Account.

**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the below-listed information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202)625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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